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NutShells

National

Montreal Goes ahead with Construction

Montrealers could soon be parking their cars over historical ruins dating back to the 17th century. City Council in Montreal defeated a resolution to preserve the remains of a military compound built during the period of French colonial rule. The Mayor of Montreal, Jean Dore and his ruling Montreal Citizen's Movement (MCM) will allow construction to continue in a section of Old Montreal known as Faubourg Quebec.

University of Ottawa No Longer Fully Bilingual

University of Ottawa has decided that student's no longer have to be bilingual to graduate. The University announced that students no longer have to pass proficiency exam in English and French. Instead they will receive extra course credits and possibly a special certificate if they can prove they are bilingual.

Undercover Campus Cops

Campus Police at Concordia University are attending classes undercover to get information about students and others suspected of criminal activity. The University is using this information-gathering method in their investigation of a recent assault case.

Manitoban Radio

Last week some students at Red Dear College in Manitoba read, over the air waves, banned facts from the recent Karla Holmolka case here in Ontario. The students locked themselves in their in-house radio station until they had finished. This follows after a Victoria, BC paper published banned details of the case as well as continued access to computer news groups across the border that still carry the banned information.

Local

Health Services

Health Services announces new hours on Wednesday. Their new hours will see them open to 7pm. Peer counselling will also be starting Jan. 18,1994 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Snow Removal

On January 8, 1994 a Scarborough Campus snow removal vehicle hit a stationary car. Damage was minimal and no one was hurt.

Exposed to the new look of the Underground Photo by: Catherine Tsatsos

U OF T ADMINISTRATION REPORTED TO HUMAN RIGHTS

by Tammy Bokhari
Assistant News Editor

Last Friday, a letter of complaint was issued by UofT Scarborough student **Hans Cespedes** to the Ontario Human Rights Commission, in which the judgment of **Dr. Neelands**, Assistant vice-president of Student Affairs, and **Mr. Robert Prichard**, President of UofT, are called to question.

The four-page letter challenges the recent decision of Neelands to declare last year's elections for Scarborough College Student Council President as democratic and fair, contrary to the belief of certain "respected members of the University" and Cespedes himself, who was a running candidate at the time. It also questions administration's decision that any "censorship, gag order, threats and harassment" claimed to have been suffered by Cespedes, were only "unusual."

In the letter Cespedes refers to two Scarborough Political Science professors who he claims feel that "what happened to [him] was far more than 'unusual'." One of them is Professor **David Welch**.

"I have been very careful not to take sides in the debate," said Welch, in a telephone interview with the Underground, "but I do feel that the whole affair provides a good opportunity to clarify election rules."

Cespedes' most significant complaint, however, appears to be with the way the whole issue was handled by the administration. In Cespedes letter to the Commission, he claims that in a meeting with Neelands last December, "Neelands said that [Cespedes] 'did not understand what democracy was' and that where [Cespedes] 'comes from' democracy was 'perceived differently' than here" (Cespedes is of Hispanic origin).

According to Cespedes, "[Neelands] further stated that things were just a 'little different' and that [Cespedes] had simply misunderstood the actions exercised in March 1993 as undemocratic, but really 'intimate communities' operated differently."

When asked to comment, the Underground learned that the Office of Student Affairs was not even aware that the letter existed.

"I have not seen a copy of the letter," said Neelands. When the portion of the letter mentioned above was read to him over the phone, he commented, "This does not correspond to my recollection of what happened when I met with him."

Cespedes disagrees. He goes on to claim in the letter that "if [he] would have been a white person [he] would have been treated differently by Dr. Neelands office."

He is also "outraged" by the way he was treated by Prichard, president of Administration. Following Neelands' final judgment on Nov. 17 on the election issue, Cespedes sent an 11-page letter to the attention of Prichard, stating all the evidence of his case and his dissatisfaction with Neelands' ruling. (A copy of this letter has also been sent to the Human Rights Commission) According to Cespedes, his "appeal [was] refused an appointment."

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News

SCSC Reviewing By-Law, Decrease in Levy?

by Mylene Sayo
Contributor

The Scarborough College Students' Council (SCSC), has decided that it is finally time to review their By-Law. The SCSC By-Law is similar to a constitution, in that the By-Law governs what council is supposed to be doing. In the next few weeks six volunteer members from the SCSC will take part in making changes and/or updating the By-Law. As stated by Ted Supelov, SCSC Services Commission, "Times are changing." Council realized that changes need to be made, considering the last changes made to the By-Law date back to October 1986.

An example of specific changes to the By-Law is to update job descriptions of various SCSC positions. Certain responsibilities of a position may be obsolete. On the other hand, other responsibilities may need to be added. Changes will also be made everywhere from SCSC spending to SCSC setting and directing of committees. SCSC will also look to change the wording of certain laws that may cause discrepancies, or in some cases confusion.

The main issue that will be reviewed and deliberated will be the student levy. The student levy is the $26.50 SCSC receives from each full time student's enrollment fees to help pay for various events held by the council throughout the year. According to Supelov, the six volunteer SCSC members will be leaning towards trying to decrease the student levy, since "times are tough and money is tight".

The review of the SCSC By-Law is open to all students. Meetings will be held on Monday, January 10th, 3-5pm, and Wednesday, January 12th, 11-12pm in the Council Chambers (4th floor, S-Wing).

By-Elections for News Editor

The staff of the Underground will be voting on its selectionr for a replacement News Editor.

Voting will take place during the Staff meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 1994.

The only applicant is Blake Medulan, who has been interim News Editor for the past four weeks.

How to Default on OSAP

by Julie Barker
CUP

OTTAWA–As incoming students prepare to protest the proposed 50% increase in tuition, graduating students are trying to figure out a way to pay back their outrageous student loans.

Today repaying is more difficult than ever to do. For some, the only way out is to declare bankruptcy or default on their loans. If you currently hold a major credit card, a student loan or even a car, and you find yourself out of money you may consider bankruptcy.

"Approximately 4 500 students file a bankruptcy claim to us each year,"

"Approximately 4 500 students file a bankruptcy claim to us each year," said **Laurent Marcoux**, Director of Policy and Programs for Canada Student Loans.

But this does not necessarily mean that each applicant has successfully defended their claim.

""Student loans will almost always oppose a discharge," said **Bob Lacasse**, a senior manager with Peat, Marwick, Thorne Inc., one of Ottawa's bankruptcy trustees. "Otherwise, think of how much money they would lose," Lacasse said.

The whole bankruptcy process is very long and operates on a case by case basis. In some cases the judge grants the student absolute discharge. In others, the discharge may be conditional, and there may be an agreement about payment plans between the student and the creditor, Lacasse explained.

"If you are out of work, you can apply for an 'interest release'."

According to the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, a first time consumer debtor has all their debts paid after nine months.

"During this time, the debtor has a legal obligation to state his or her financial situation (bankrupt)," said a said a senior manager of one of Ottawa's leading bankruptcy firms.

After this nine month process, the debtor must still wait seven years before wiping the slate clean, in order to begin rebuilding a credit rating.

But when it boils down to dealing with your student loan in particular, there are other options you can consider.

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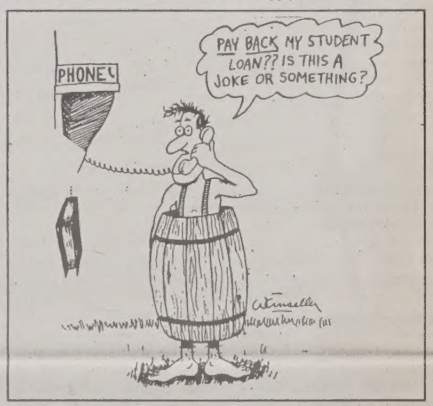

From The Muse, sept '93

A Winter Holiday In Regina

by Blake Medulan
News Editor (interim)

As a member of a paper many duties befall you...but occasionally there is time for some fun.

Not many students are aware of the politics and workings of the **Underground**. Few are aware that the **Underground** is a member of an organization called **Canadian University Press** or **CUP**. What being a member of CUP means is a constant source of support and the use of massive databases of information.

CUP member papers stretch from St. John's Newfoundland to Victoria BC and covers about 50 different campuses nation wide. In Toronto alone there are 5 CUP papers including the **Varsity** on St. George Campus and the **Excalibur** and **Lexicon** at York University.

In December of every year, papers elect delegates to send to a national conference (usually at little or no cost to the individual). This year the **Underground** elected **Blake Medulan** (interim News Editor) and **Matthew Clements** (Co-Photo Editor) to travel hundreds of miles to Regina, Saskatchewan for CUP 56 National Conference.

After a long uncomfortable Air Canada plane ride where we were forced to watch the movie *Hocus Pocus*, we landed at Regina National Airport. It was cold!

6 days of intensive but enjoyable hard work followed. As representatives of the Underground and members of CUP we were expected to vote on a number of items, including a budget for the National Office of CUP. This year, because of the recession, cutbacks were present in every facet of CUP. With fewer and fewer papers able to pay their membership fees, CUP is faced with having to provide the same services at a reduced cost.

At the end of the conference tears and email addresses were exchanged with the promises of keeping in contact with each other. The conference was truly an invaluable experience both as a delegate and as a member of a respected University paper. Next year the conference is slated for Windsor, Ontario.

Get involved with the Underground, it can take you places.

Human Rights

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The latest appeal to Human Rights is based on grounds that "for the last nine months the administration has done nothing but patronize [Cespedes] and deny [him] the rights that are inherent to every single Canadian citizen under the Charter (of Human Rights)." On this point, Cespedes contends that "Neelands told [him] that in this case the Charter does not apply to [him] because it is a 'university matter'."

In the letter it states that "someone from administration advised [him] to file [his] case with the Human Rights Commission even though [he] had not told [this person] about Neelands' comments that last meeting in December."

"I think Neelands is taking bureaucracy to new depths," said Cespedes in an interview with the Underground.

"I don't know what will happen [with Human Rights,] but at least there will be a formal, public record filed at Human Rights so that those who deal with Neelands in the future will know what they're dealing with," he said.

Cespedes is expecting a call from the Human Rights Commission sometime next week.

News

Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance Declares OSAP System Outdated and Inefficient

by Mark Heasley
CUP

WATERLOO–In a paper written by the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA), the current Ontario Student Assistance Program has been labeled "inadequate", "essentially outdated and inefficient", and a system that is "inaccurate and unfair".

According to **Tim Crowder** (WLU Students' Union VP of External Affairs and Laurier's representative to OUSA) this has significant implications. The following figures illustrate this by showing the increasing demand for student financial assistance in Ontario:
-this year, 205 000 people applied for OSAP. Up 15% from last year.
-loans averaged $5500 this year, up from last year's $3000 average.
-student loans for this year alone totalled $987 million in Ontario.

Despite the fact that the average loan amount has increased, the true picture of the state of student aid is grim. Part of the increased loan money available came from the elimination of grants to students, and in the past year, more student loans have defaulted than in any other time in the past 14 years.

In defense of the 118 000 undergraduate students that it represents, OUSA has proposed a new student financial aid system that will help offset expected tuition increases.

Rick Martin, Liaison Officer for University of Toronto's Part-Time Undergraduate Students, said that OUSA's paper was tailored to influence **Dave Cooke's** (Minister of Education and Training) upcoming announcement on tuition.

"[The report] is a structured argument of what we know the minister is planning to do," Martin said "which is increase tuition without a similar increase in provincial funds."

OUSA's proposed student funding program is a "three-tiered system, with an income-contingent repayment plan." That is, there are three different levels of funding (in order of need) and payments are made on the loan on the basis of the graduated student's ability to pay.

The first level consists of an expanded Ontario Special Bursary Program. Here, students whose income falls below an as yet undetermined level would have all the real direct costs of their education covered (tuition, compulsory fees, books). The report suggests that there should be a possibility of repayment on the bursary if the student's income reaches a certain level (say $50 000) after a specified amount of time (say 5 years) has passed since graduation.

The second level of OUSA's proposed funding program is subsidized Ontario and Canada Student Loans. The majority of students would fall under this category, where all students would be considered independent and the amount of loan would be based on the student's own budget (Resources - Expenses).

A student living at home would have to list parental support (housing, food, etc.) among their resources, and economically disadvantaged students could apply as dependent students and be assessed along with their family.

Repayments should not be made, the plan furthers, until a student has reached the Ontario median income level. As of fifteen years after leaving school all outstanding loans should be forgiven.

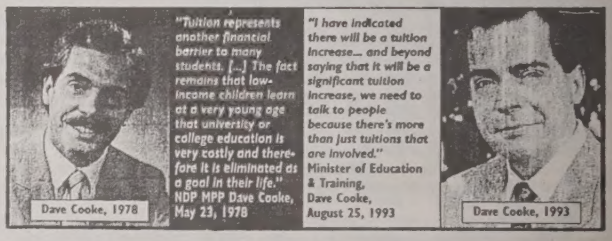
The third proposed level of student funding is open to student who have historically been denied OSAP–students with relatively high incomes. These students may have expenses that are just as high however, and the price tag of education beyond their means.

These students should have made available to them student loans that would cost the government little, OUSA says, where interest would accumulate on the loans at the normal government rate.

Support for an income-contingent loan repayment program (ICLRP) has recently grown. Now, not only do student lobby groups such as OUSA and the Council of Ontario Universities support it, but Ontario Premier Bob Rae has voiced his support for such a program.

Despite this support, the repayment program may not be instituted all that quickly. "The provincial government needs federal support for the ICLRP program, since it would be based on federal tax records, and the federal government hasn't moved on it yet," Crowder said.

In the face of almost certain tuition increases, OUSA offers an alternative to shifting the burden onto students by increasing tuition costs completely at their expense.


"Tuition represents another financial barrier to many students. [...] The fact remains that low-income children learn at a very young age that university or college education is very costly and therefore it is eliminated as a goal in their life."
NDP MPP Dave Cooke, May 23, 1978
Dave Cooke, 1978
"I have indicated there will be a tuition increase... and beyond saying that it will be a significant tuition increase, we need to talk to people because there's more than just tuitions that are involved."
Minister of Education & Training, Dave Cooke, August 25, 1993
Dave Cooke, 1993

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SCSC Promises More Services

by Ted Supelov
SCSC

A new facility started by this year's SCSC, known as the Students' Services Centre, is located across from the Library and open during Library hours. Prior to the Christmas holidays, the Centre offered the use of five I.B.M. Personal Computers, one laser printer, and three typewriters for your convenience.

By January 14th, 1994 the Students' Services Centre will be equipped with three more I.B.M. Pc's (eight in total) in order to accommodate your concerns regarding line-ups and a larger facility. Also, for your convenience, if you should have a computer diskette (3 1/2") which contains information formulated on an Apple computer, you may bring that diskette to the S.C.S.C. office in R-3042 and have your file printed out.

In addition, the photocopiers located above the Java Junction across from the Library have all been cleaned, serviced, and rebuilt for the next school term. I ensure you that if you have any problems with the photocopier service that S.C.S.C. offers please bring it to my attention so I can respond immediately to the situation. The photocopiers will be filled on a daily basis — Monday through Sunday — and will continue to operate 24-hours a day for your convenience.

If a photocopier is inoperative a lighted symbol will be blinking on the key-pad indicating that a paper jam has probably occurred. In order to increase the up-time of the photocopiers the members of the Service Commission will be patrolling the area on a routine basis to alleviate any problems if they should arise. However, according to Lanier — our photocopier company — in order to help reduce paper jams to a minimal they recommend that we photocopy with the lid down. Photocopying with the lid down will not only decrease the amount of paper jams but also help decrease the expensive cost of toner that is needed to operate the machines. Thus, for the benefit of yourself, your fellow students, and S.C.S.C. can you please try to remember to photocopy with the lid down if you are not already doing so in order to create a more efficient service for all students.

In addition, I have contacted Lanier Canada several times throughout the past year regarding your concerns about the photocopiers. Time and time again they seemed to have dealt with the problem. Nonetheless, if the photocopiers are not up at least 90% of the time for your use — due to reoccurring paper jams — I will personally guarantee you that S.C.S.C. will once and for all resolve the problem. The *foot-work* is in place, its Lanier's time to prove to us as a whole that their copiers should continue to be at our Campus.

On a brighter note, on January 24th to the 27th in the Meeting Place the S.C.S.C. will be holding its annual health-week. During health-week you will be able to donate blood to the Red Cross, take part in fitness exercises, check your heart rate, have a stress test conducted, speak to various health groups about sex, aids, pregnancy, or your general health, sign up for a St. Johns Ambulance course, and much, much more.

Also, on behalf of S.C.S.C. on January 31st to February 4th in the Meeting Place S.C.S.C. will be holding its annual Safety Awareness Week. During this week you will be able to visit various booths concerned about sexual harassment, safety on campus and the surrounding community, date rape, drugs and alcohol awareness, and much more. Therefore, keep a look-out for advertising of these events and others in the coming weeks throughout the Campus.

The following is printed as an information service to the students of Scarborough Campus, and is not in any way meant to be taken as support for any political agenda of the SCSC. Ted Supelov is the Services Commissioner of the Scarborough College Students' Council.

U of T Snow Line

978 - SNOW

Want to know if classes are cancelled?

Callers to 978-SNOW will be informed whether or not classes are cancelled on any or all of the three campuses. **A decision to cancel classes will be taken by the university administration only under the most severe weather conditions.**

Editorial

P.S.: Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to correct some misunderstandings contained in the article headlined "Food Services Under Attack" appearing in the Januaary 3rd edition of the Underground.

First, the December meeting of the Food Service Users Committee referred to in the article did include students. The Committee includes: two representatives appoointed by SCSC, one representative from the graduate student constituency and a residence student selected by SVC.

Second, meetings of the Food Service Users Committee are normally open. As with any committee involved in the administration and governance of the University, there are circumstances and/or issues which require discussion in confidence. The examples I gave to the author of the article included:

–discussion of contracts and negotiations,
–personnel issues such as performance reviews, hirings and terminations,
–review of financial information such as budgets prior to release to College and University committees.

Third, apart from regular agenda items such as evaluations of the two catering services and regular reports, agendas are generally not set more than two weeks in advance.

Finally, I wish to correct a misunderstanding in the editorial concerning the change of caterers in 1991. Beaver Foods were not removed. Their contract with the College expired. Following the Request For Proposal process, a number of proposals from various catering companies, including the then incumbent contractor, were reviewed. Based on a number of criteria the current company were selected. The entire RFP process was one which included faculty, staff and students.

Thank you for your interest in the issue of quality food service on campus. I endorse your suggestion that anyone concerned with the quality of food and service make themselves heard.

Cordially,
Peter Smith
Manager, Food and Beverage Services

And thank you, Mr. Smith, for your letter of correction. I assure you that my use of the term "removed" was not meant to imply that Beaver were forced off the campus. My apologies. One assumes, however, that Beaver were expected to remove from the college, upon termination of their contract, whatever personnel, apparatus or paperwork they may have brought with them when they started their term.

OSAP Needs Reform

Well, what can I say? I have hit rock bottom in my quest for an insightful editorial. Perhaps I am simply struck with the mid-winter blues. Or, it could be that the old "Scarborough College apathy bug" has gotten to me, too. But I will not let it get me down.

What is really bugging me is all the shit about OSAP that has been shooting around out there. I do not have any complaint in regards to my own OSAP award. I got about four thousand more than I really *needed*. I did everything by the rules, though. Because I have been out of high school for four years, my parents' incomes have no effect on my assessment. Taking a year off in 1991 has benefited me in more ways than one.

Unlike myself, many people I know received either a great hassle or a grand screw-job from the OSAP committee. If they will it, an applicant must have his or her parents fill out a form documenting all income and expenses for the preceding year, and supply bills and receipts to back everything up. In some cases, even that is not enough to satisfy them.

It is widely understood that a close analysis must be done of both the way tuition costs are determined, and how the OSAP system operates. Is it not obvious that, considering the tremendous number of OSAP applicants, that some sort of *co-ordination* of the two is in order? It is definitely time that the government started fully subsidizing university education for those who need it. It can be deferred until the student finally gets a job, whether in his chosen field or some other.

In fact, more intelligence on the part of the government might have led them to notice that there is a close relationship between employment, education, and the cost of funding for social programs like university. Government control of who gets what sort of education is not what I am after. If you can achieve the marks to get into the university of your choice, and if you are below the income line required to get you OSAP, you should automatically be eligible for a deferment of the entire cost of your education.

The present maze which is set up for the allocation of tax funds to universities has gotten way out of hand. It needs to be simplified. The different parts should work within the whole, and the redundancy eradicated. A simplified system could dispense with the whole loan process. That would eliminate the banks, which would not only save on beuracracy, but stop providing them with interest payments.

What I think I can say for every student is: give me the education I deserve without shackling me with massive loans until the end of time.

This is a short thank you to an old friend.

Many who have seen the Underground's "Roller-Coaster Ride" at Scarborough College over the last four years will not soon forget the dedication of its staff and editors. By maintaining a forum for university students to discuss various points of view–usually from opposite ends of the spectrum, they have provided Scarborough College an invaluable tool for creative dialogue.

As a former staff writer and Assistand News Editor, I was permitted an unique opportunity to view Scarborough College from the auspicious position of a newspaper reporter. Although life on staff ws never easy it was always adventurous–akin to an Internation Circus. If memory serves correct, life on the Masthead as a huge juggling act. Trying to meet printing deadlines, study for exams, and on occassion submitting the odd term paper.

Few people know the level of sacrifice that an Editor devotes to a newspaper. It takes a very talented and dedicated individual to manage such an enormous, time-consuming task. Acting as a ring-leader, the Editor must walk the tightrope, while keeping the lions at bay, in addition to juggling his school assignments.

I would like to thank outgoing Editor Jason H. Pasquale, for his ongoing perserverance and time sacrifice, that he freely invested to maintain Scarborough College's newspaper. [*Actually, the position of Editor-in-Chief is salaried–Ed.*] Although I did not always agree with his opinions, I always respected his viewpoints and admired his abilities as the Editor. Without him, it is conceivable that the Underground may have disintegrated. He was a constant pillar that supported Freedom of Speech in many a battle.

It is essential, in a "Just Society", that all people have the right to express their opinions, however different; as long as we learn to respect each other as members of the human race. In allowing students an opportunity to share their mutual beliefs and ideas, Jason did us all a service that we cannot easily repay.

As such, I would like to congratulate him for his contributions to Scarborough College, and wish him the best endeavours for the coming term.

Sincerely,
Stuart Wright

Those of us remaining at the Underground would also like to thank Mr. Pasquale for his service during his term of office. We also apologize for the misspelling of Mr. Pasquale's name in the "Announcement" printed last issue.

Because of the internal nature of Mr. Pasquale's resignation, I am hesitant to say much about it. Suffice to say that, despite much hard work on both their parts, Mr. Pasquale and the staff had a difference in opinion, and concluded that the only course of action was for the staff to continue on its own.

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News

What is Hanukkah?

by Helen Kuk
Staff Writer

It's January, and tired students everywhere have hauled their festive-overloaded brains back to school. About a week has passed for us now since those loosely termed "Christmas holidays" ended, leaving us all with vague feelings of disorientation since that first day back arrived like a demolition ball to smack us into "reality" and the swing of things.

It would be interesting to note how many of us actually observe Christmas in some measure of faith, and not just by succumbing to the leeches of commercialism. We all know the story of Christmas. Around the end of the year though, there is a second big holiday well known in this part of the world: Hanukkah. Christmas is much more widely advertised. So, even though we've missed it by about 4 weeks, let's talk about Hanukkah, for a different cultural perspective.

Historically, Hanukah (the Feast of Dedication) commemorates the restoration of the Jewish Holy Temple in Jerusalem, in 166 B.C.E. The struggle was led by the Maccabees, a small band of religious warriors, against the Greek tyrant Antiochus, who forbade the practice of Judaism in Judea (Palestine). Hanukkah celebrates the miracles of the Jewish victory.

According to **Jonah Kruger**, a first year student who is an Orthodox Jew, one miracle was the victory itself, considering that the Jewish warriors were vastly outnumbered by the Hellenist soldiers. The second miracle was that of the sacred oil used in the lighting of the Temple. After the Temple was restored, the holy oil found to light the menorah (a candelabrum) was enough to burn just one day. Legend has it that this oil burned straight for eight days, enough time for the devotees to make more oil. On the eighth day, the 25th day of the Jewish month Kislev, the Temple was again dedicated to G*d. Symbolic of the eight days of light in the Temple, Jews have ever since celebrated Hanukkah for eight days. Candles are lit, one a day for the eight days on a menorah, a nine candle candelabra (the ninth candle is used for lighting the others).

Other celebrations for this holiday vary for different families. "It depends on how religious you are," observed Jonah. "It's like Christmas... for a lot of people it's just a festival." He mentioned some of the usual practices–"there are some songs... also, in synagogue there are special prayers." But he stressed the holiday's spiritual importance. Hanukkah happened long after the Torah (a Jewish Holy book) was handed down from Moses; unlike holidays such as Passover of Sukkot, Hanukkah is not documented in the Torah.

"The others were decreed from G*d," Jonah explained, "this one was decreed from the rabbis [but] it was taken as from G*d." Although it "isn't as holy" as some other Jewish holidays, Jonah believes in its observance as "a historical commemoration with religious significance."

Ella Ashkinazi, a first year student who wears a star of David on a chain around her neck, is also Jewish, although not Orthodox. "When we lived in Ukraine, we weren't allowed to preach it [Judaism], so we didn't learn much about the history...thirty years ago they weren't allowed to practice it, so my parents don't have much to pass on." Her family observes Hanukkah, but not religiously. "Of all the holidays, this is the happiest one," she said, "you have to make latkes–you know, those potato pancakes; kids play with dreidls [4 sided tops, each side with a Hebrew letter representing a letter spelling out a word in the phrase that translates into the English "A great miracle happened here"] ...there's always a person in the family telling the story... you go to synagogue if you're religious."

Many of us aren't religious, and most of us aren't Jewish, so Jewish holidays aren't specifically relevant to us. A lot of people aren't devoutly Christian either, but Christmas has, however superficially, become a very widely celebrated holiday. Although Hanukkah, like Christmas, may not directly pertain to all our heritage, Jonah points out its relevance: "it's a holiday that celebrates your freedom to practice your religion, and that's how it applies to everyone."

The Menorah

Playground

BILLY SWIFT by Eugene Bates

WOW! IT'S SANTA!
NO KID, YOU'RE SANTA, AND YOU'RE GIVING ME THIS T.V. FOR MY CHRISTMAS GIFT!
FUNNY, BUT I DON'T REMEMBER DELIVERING GIFTS TO KIDS BEFORE!
WOW! I REALLY AM SOMEBODY! MY LIFE HAS MEANING 'CAUSE I'M SANTA!
GIVE ME ALL YOUR MONEY.
ARE YOU MY FRIEND?
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? MONEY-OR YOU ARE BEATEN LIKE AN EGG!
I DON'T MIND GIVING A LOAN TO A FRIEND.
IS THIS A TRAP? ARE COPS GOING TO POP OUT OF THE BUSHES?
YOU'VE GOT PANTYHOSE ON YOUR HEAD! ARE YOU A CROSS-DRESSER?
WOW! I NEVER HAD A TRANSVESTITE FOR A FRIEND BEFORE!

News

TD'S EMPLOYEE DRUG TESTS UNDER FIRE

by Ian Kinross
The Journal

TORONTO–You've earned your degree, set your career goals, aced an interview and accepted a job offer. There's just one thing standing between you and employment: a plastic bottle.

The Toronto Dominion (TD) Bank requires all new employees to provide urine samples that are screened for the presence of cocaine, cannabis and opiates (such as heroin). Almost 9 000 employees have been tested since the policy was introduced in 1990.

The Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA) says it's a violation of human rights.

The bank says it's a necessary precaution against theft and money-laundering linked to illegal drug use.

A human rights tribunal hearing resumes Jan. 10 in Toronto to decide the issue.

In his submission to the Canadian Human Rights Commission, CCLA lawyer **Alan Borovoy** said the bank's policy "would appear to practice discrimination on the basis of 'disability' within the meaning of the Canadian Human Rights Act."

...a person who had eaten a single bagel containing poppy seeds could test positive for opiates.

Since an employee could be fired or forced to accept treatment for testing positive (or for refusing to be tested), "the Bank would be subjecting the employee to adverse treatment on the basis of the employee's presumed dependency on drugs," he said. He also noted that a positive test cannot indicate whether the subject is a frequent, addicted, occasional or rare user.

Chapter H-6 of the Canadian Human Rights Act prohibits discrimination based on disability, including "previous or existing dependence on alcohol or a drug."

"It's more of a protective policy," explained **Isla Ravn**, TD's manager of Employee Relations-Policy. "There was a concern about employees who used drugs being involved in illicit activity" or becoming "unwilling dupes in allowing money-laundering."

The bank's Human Resources Information Manual states that "these are unacceptable risks for the Bank especially when many employees have access to large sums of money and privileged financial information." It also tells employees that "the banking industry is founded upon the principles of honesty, integrity and trust and the reputations of both the Bank and yourself must be beyond reproach."

Chapter H-6 of the Canadian Human Rights Act prohibits discrimination based on... "previous or existing dependence on alcohol or a drug."

No specific incidents of theft, embezzlement or money-laundering prompted the introduction of drug testing, said Ravn, "more just a concern for the potential" of those activities.

Borovoy believes that the same rationale could be used "to justify a host of intrusions on the privacy of newly-hired employees–random lie detector tests, income tax examinations and even residential inspections."

Under the TD's Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Policy, all new employees must provide a urine sample within 48 hours of accepting a job offer. A positive result on the initial test is confirmed by a more specific test. Employees who test positive are offered counseling by a health professional and may be asked to take part in a drug treatment program, after which they are retested. Those who refuse testing, or who test positive a second time, "may be discharged."

Ravn said mandatory drug testing only applies to new employees–not current ones–because the bank recruits heavily from the 16 to 34 age group, whose members are at higher risk of drug use. However, a current employee may be tested if poor work performance raises considerable suspicion that he or she is using drugs.

While the CCLA has labeled the policy discriminatory, Ravn stressed its rehabilitative intent and its place in a broader employee assistance program.

She added, "there's been no reaction at all [by new employees] to the tests." The typical response is "Oh. Where do I go [to get tested]?" The procedure is "part of our culture" and is explained on the TD's job application form, in interviews and in job offer letters, she said.

Does the program work? And is it worth the cost? Ravn said information on the number of employees who have tested positive, their outcomes and the cost of the program is confidential.

At tribunal hearings in October, chair **Keith Norton** and fellow judges **Grant Sinclair** and **Judith Alexander** heard evidence about the potential for "false positive" and "false negative" test results.

Dr. Bhushan Kapur, director of Clinical Laboratories at the Addiction Research Foundation (ARF), testified that a person who had eaten a single bagel containing poppy seeds could test positive for opiates. Use of a codeine-based cough syrup could also result in a positive test, he said. Chemist **David Kinneburgh** of Dynacare Laboratories, one of two labs that conducts the TD's drug tests, later testified that such results would be invalidated following a discussion between the employee and a medical review officer: "The positive becomes a negative, based on the officer's interpretation."

Dr. Kapur also testified that experienced drug users are more likely than recreational users to find ways to beat the tests; for example, by substituting another person's urine. Dr. Kinneburgh told the tribunal that although urine sample collection is not witnessed, the laboratory has several ways to ensure a sample is genuine, including measuring its temperature.

The hearing is expected to end in January and the tribunal will likely rule on the case within six months, said **Donna Balkan**, co-ordinator of External Relations at the Canadian Human Rights Commission. If the tribunal finds the drug-testing policy to be discriminatory, it has the power to order the bank to stop testing employees, according to Ravn.

Dr. Martin Shain, head of the Workplace Program, a joint initiative of the ARF and UofT's Centre of Health Promotion, agrees with the CCLA that drug testing seems to be "the thin edge of a big wedge in which employers will look for the invulnerable employee–the super-resilient employee, which would probably make most of us unemployable.

"The trouble is, how far do you go? Do you also test employees for compulsive behaviors? Do you test them for mental disorders such as depression? Do you try to hire employees who are accustomed to taking abuse, so that you can put a lot of pressure on them?

"I would say there is a duty for employers to create work conditions that are humane, not psychotoxic."

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Students Victorious in Teaching Battle

by Siobhan Thomas
CUP

CALGARY–Students have spoken and finally, the university administration has heard.

A first-year computer science course has changed professors following the circulation of a student petition. The petition, signed by 64 Computer Science 203 students, called for the removal of Donald Bidulock as professor for the second year Computer Science course.

"What I've received has indicated the professor has been removed and that it was in the best interest of the department, the students, and the professor," said **Ben Rogers**, Students Union Vice-President of Academic Affairs.

The petition cited numerous examples of what students in the class considered poor teaching, including not allowing students to take notes during classes, obscure questions on the midterm examination, and an inability to convey information to the class.

"This professor is very intelligent but didn't have the ability to transmit that intelligence and allow students to share in his knowledge," said one student who asked not to be named.

"A first-year course that you can't even take as a computer science major should be used to excite students. The first day I took the course all the seats were full. Now, over half the class has left."

The petition was not supported by all students in the class, though. **Chris Jennings**, one student in the class, said, "My opinion of the whole petition is it was predicated by the type of class people think Computer Science 203 is. A lot of people are conditioned to think of it as a filler class...a class where they can go and be spoon-fed. [The professor] certainly wasn't doing anything I found to be poor teaching. He wasn't confusing in any way, shape, or form. There are other teachers I've had that were definitely harder to get a handle on."

John Rokne, Head of the Department of Computer Science, would not comment on the change of professors, claiming that he had discussed the problems with the professor and that such knowledge wasn't in the public domain.

Rogers believes the Computer Science department took a step in the right direction by listening to students.

"Hopefully, this action will encourage other departments to make decisions on what's fair instead of what's easy and most convenient," said Rogers.

"It's a proactive step. It...takes into account the wishes of students and makes the assumption students understand what good teaching is."

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE NEW CHANGES MADE TO THE PAPER?

"I don't like it. I liked the full-page photo." -Amir Iravani

"I miss Ask Laurel. It's more organized now." -Edward Sabate

"I'd like to see it more controversial." -Paula Griffith

"I like it but the masthead and the index need work."-Greg Duclos

"Actually, I haven't had a chance to see it yet. The front page is definitely an improvement. It looks more like a newspaper now."-Jorge Coelho

"I'd like to see an Opinion page or Horoscope column."-Thy Lam

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Arts & Film

Heaven and Earth a Brilliant– if Disturbing–Spectacle

by Jon Gundersen
Assistant Arts Editor

Heaven and Earth is a film brought to us by **Oliver Stone** about the life of a Vietnamese woman and her struggles through the Vietnam War. It is largely based on the autobiographical books, *When Heaven and Earth Changed Places* and *Child of War, Woman of Peace*, by **Le Ly Hayslip**. Hayslip, in fact, appears in the movie, as a jewellry store owner in California.

Le Ly is played by **Hiep Thi Le**, a first-time actor and university student. Her performance is excellent, and well worthy of acclaim. **Joan Chen** (*The Last Emperor, Twin Peaks*) plays Le Ly's wise mother. Chen, in researching her role, worked with many women from the village where the movie takes place, including Hayslip's real mother. Her work pays off, as her character is very believable.

Tommy Lee Jones (*Under Seige, The Fugitive*) plays Steve Butler, a character created to represent four important American men who influenced Hayslip's life. His performance is also excellent, however short-lived. Movie trailers and other promos lead audiences to believe that Jones is the star of the film. Unfortunately, like Jack Nicholson in *A Few Good Men*, he does not appear much on screen. Contrary to the image given, the focus of the story is really on Le Ly, and in fact, Jones is not even seen until half way through the film.

The advertising, typical of any Hollywood picture aimed at a wide audience, is certainly no reason to miss the movie. It was brilliantly done with vivid colours. Filmed in Thailand, the Vietnam scenes are incredibly beautiful. Stone uses strong greens in the fields and mountains, with bright yellows in the foreground, such as the Buddhist monk who is seen walking across the field. For this, the film is simply gorgeous to watch.

This is all contrasted with the slimy and raunchy feel of the American supermarkets that get thrown at you when Le Ly and her family move to the United States. The culture shock is captured brilliantly on film.

Using George Lucas's THX sound effects, some of the scenes seem to yank you into the screen and put you in Vietnam. A scene where an American helicopter lands in a Vietnamese village particularly stands out. The powerful sound and mild surrealism in the picture almost blow the wind at your face.

Oliver Stone also deserves praise for his historical accuracy. Unlike in his other two Vietnam films, *Platoon* and *Born on the Fourth of July*, Vietnamese villages are realistic structures, not flimsy bamboo treehouses. The focus is on the civilians and their wartime struggles, rather than on praising American soldiers for their efforts. Also, Stone has retaliated against criticism that he neglects female characters by focusing on the women in this movie.

Heaven and Earth is a very real movie with a very real message. It is so real, that it can be quite disturbing at times. Young girls getting tortured–their legs coated in honey and army ants crawling over them, snakes being dropped down their shirts–it is all very unsettling to watch. Although the movie does not top the gore scales, the implied pain and blood is just as frightening.

Le Ly Hayslip wanted the movie to make people "understand that war is never the answer." It has convinced me.

Photo by: Roland Neveu

Tommy Lee Jones and Hiep Thi Le - A misleading sample of the movie.

Old Men Not Only Grumpy But Hilarious

Photo By: Ron Phillips

Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau are the best of enemies in "Grumpy Old Men"

by George Nikou
Staff

Over the years **Jack Lemmon** and **Walter Matthau** have found ways to entertain us, either as a team or individuals. Though they may be getting older, their ability to make us laugh from their most memorable movie, *The Odd Couple*, to their most recent reunion, in **Donald Petrie's *Grumpy Old Men***, has consistently proven their worth as two of Hollywood's best actors.

Grumpy Old Men, set in Minnesota, follows the day to day activities of two life long neighbours who have been at each others throats since childhood. Enter the love interest who moves in across the road: **Ann-Margret** playing a middle-aged, but beautiful widow with a zest for life. Obviously both men, being widowers themselves, find very amusing ways to court the woman and at the same time try to outdo each other for the woman's affections with their childish pranks.

This is a film that works well. It does not leave you sitting in the theatre with too many ups and downs. There are not any moments where the film drags on and you have to wait until you are saved by some inane stunt. Lemmon and Matthau are able to carry the dialogue so believably that you would think this is the way they would act if they *were* neighbours in Minnesota.

Included in the cast is **Burgess Meredith**, who's long list of credits includes the early *Rocky* films, and he adds to the charm of the film playing Lemmon's father. Though his role is small, his hilarious comic relief at times outshines Lemmon's and Matthau's performances.

Donald Petrie, best known for his first feature film, *Mystic Pizza*, can be credited for not necessarily directing this all-star cast, but for getting them together for this script. Not to belittle the man's talents as a director, but having these actors all on the same set is a director's dream and with their talent they could have pulled this film off by themselves.

Some may think these actors' talents were wasted on this type of storyline, but *Grumpy Old Men* kept me laughing. It was not a heavy story with a lot of melodrama. It is meant to let you laugh and enjoy the mischief of two old men given a chance at youth without throwing too many moral questions in your face.

Arts

Scenery Overshadows Story in *Shadowlands*

by Ean Kingston
Staff

Anthony Hopkins (*Silence of the Lambs*) portrays the writer and reserved Oxford professor C.S. Lewis (author of the *Narnia Chronicles*), in **Richard Attenborough's** new dramatic movie ***Shadowlands***.

The movie is based on the true life romance of Lewis and Joy Gresham (**Debra Winger**). Gresham is a recently divorced American who travels to England. She has been writing letters to Lewis, her idol, and hopes to meet him while in London. Lewis accepts her invitation to have tea in London. During tea he invites her to visit him at his home in Oxford. Gresham accepts and brings her son, who accompanied her to England.

Gresham's son Douglas, played by **Joseph Mazzello** (*Jurassic Park*), is a fan of the *Narnia* books written by Lewis. Overwhelmed by the prospect of meeting Lewis, Douglas can barely manage to talk. Given free reign of the house Douglas soon finds an old wardrobe in the attic, but sadly the magic of *Narnia* is only to be found in Lewis' books.

Gresham decides to move to London with Douglas, and the friendship between her and Lewis grows. The friendship is considered surprising by Lewis' reserved Oxford friends. Gresham learns how Lewis has set up for himself a very secluded, safe lifestyle so that he will not be hurt by the world. Lewis is fascinated by the openness and need for experience that Gresham has. Their friendship and learning of each other develop into a bond of very intense love.

the magnificence and splendour of Oxford in the morning is simply indescribable.

Both Hopkins and Winger portray their roles with their usual style of excellence, though in my opinion the true star of the film would have to be the cinematography. Much thought went into the shots. This movie offers some excellent views of the English countryside and the buildings of Oxford. Attenborough must have chosen the scenes with great care; the magnificence and splendour of Oxford in the morning is simply indescribable. It makes the audience feel as though they were actually there.

The film itself is clearly a dramatic one. Enough humour is used at appropriate times to keep the spirits of the audience up. As much as the audience may feel for the characters, they will also laugh with them.

When going to this movie be sure to allow for its two hours and twelve minutes, but remember it is well worth the time. The film moves very quickly at the beginning, it drags in the middle, however, when they try to explain the plot, and the ending will have some in tears so bring lots of tissues. I will be surprised if this movie is not nominated for at least one award this year.

Photo by: Keith Hamshere

Debora Winger and Anthony Hopkins star in the epic romance "*Shadowlands*"

Video Pick of the Week

by Wes Grant
Arts Editor

This is a new feature to the Underground. Since many students find it more affordable to rent movies rather than going out to one, I have decided to spotlight a different video each week that I feel is worth renting. Videos to be spotlighted will include both older and more recent films, from a variety of categories, as well this column will feature the week's upcoming video releases. If you have any comments, or if there is any particular film you would care to put into this section feel free to let us know.

One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest (1975)

Starring: **Jack Nicholson, Louise Fletcher, Danny DeVito,** and **Christopher Lloyd.** Directed by **Milos Foreman.**

One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest brings to life **Ken Kesey's** novel, telling the story of hell-raising free spirit McMurphy (Nicholson) and his adventures in a mental ward. His rebelliousness puts him head to head against Nurse Ratched (Fletcher) and the institutional repression that she represents, and at the same time earns him the loyalty of his fellow inmates.

This comedy-drama is an excellent film: hilarious in parts and deeply emotional and upsetting in others. Nicholson is excellent, and he won the Academy Award for best actor for his performance. In fact, the film won the top five Oscars for 1975. The film also spotlights the performances of then up-and-coming actors DeVito, Lloyd, and **Brad Dourif** (*Mississippi Burning*).

This is a stunning and unforgettably moving motion picture. If you have never seen it, or not seen it in a long time, get to the video store and pick this one up.

New to Video This Week (Jan.10-14)

Based On An Untrue Story: **Morgan Fairground** and **Robert Goulet** star in this made for TV comedy.

Caught In The Act: **Leslie Hope** and **Gregory Harrison** star in this made for TV mystery.

Hearts and Souls: **Robert Downey, Jr.** and **Charles Grodin** highlight this comedy.

Menace II Society: Melodrama along the lines of *Boyz N' The Hood*, from first time directors **Allen** and **Albert Hughes**.

Robin Hood: Men in Tights: **Mel Brooks** farce on the Kevin Costner version of Robin Hood.

Other releases: ***Lifeline to Victory***, ***Night Hunt***, and ***Rage Honour 2: Hostile Takeover***.

By-Elections For Scarborough Campus Student Press' Board of Directors

The SCSP Board will vote on the following postions: (nominees listed)

One Underground Representative
This member is elected from and by the staff of the Underground during one of their staff meetings.
- Salim Rajwani.

Two Full-Time Student Representatives
All full-time students currently registered at Scarborough Campus may vote for these positions.
- Blake Medulan, Chris McAlister.

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- Michael Morrow.

Elections Will Occur on Thursday, January 13, 1994.
Interested Parties Should Contact
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Arts

This Pelican Has a Difficult Time Flying

by Wes Grant
Arts Editor

After a self-proclaimed two-year absence from films, due to exhaustion and stress caused by the media, **Julia Roberts** returns to the screen in the legal suspense-thriller ***The Pelican Brief***.

Adapted from the novel by **John Grisham** (*The Firm*), *The Pelican Brief* tells the story of New Orleans law student Darby Shaw (Roberts), who finds herself embroiled in a web of conspiracy and intrigue after she writes a speculative legal brief about the assassinations of two Supreme Court Judges.

The brief, dubbed "the pelican brief," presents a theory about who was responsible for the assassinations, with implications extending as high as White House officials. When those close to her are killed by assassins, Darby begins a desperate flight for her life, before finally enlisting the help of Gray Grantham (**Denzel Washington**), an investigative reporter. Together Darby and Gray attempt to uncover the truth, but as she has warned him, everyone she has told about the brief has been killed. The only way that they can survive is if Grantham can confirm the information and break the story, before the killers close in.

First off, I have to say that I have not read the book so my opinion of the film is not swayed by the changes that inevitably occur in film adaptations. This is not to say, however, that this really makes much of a difference. Brought to the screen by director **Alan J. Pakula** (*All The President's Men, Presumed Innocent*), the film has much promise but unfortunately it fails to deliver. The film has a great supporting cast, which included **Sam Shepard**, **Tony Goldwyn**, **Robert Culp**, and **John Lithgow**, and a director who has in the past crafted some excellent suspense-thrillers. So what is the problem? Namely: Julia Roberts... and a convoluted and confusing script.

I am not much of a fan of Roberts, or her acting. She may have been in some entertaining films, but she has little talent. (Come on, do you really think she deserved her Oscar nomination for best actress for *Pretty Woman*!) Roberts has a screen presence, but she lacks the talent to back up the $7 million paycheck that she received for this movie. There were a number of scenes where Roberts is supposed to look frightened or terrified, but she looks and sounds as if she was going to burst into laughter. Fortunately, she was not required to carry the film alone: co-star Denzel Washington is always close by.

Washington has built his career on great supporting performances, as can be seen in his other current film *Philadelphia*. He may not have had the best success in being the lead in a film, but that is only a matter of time and the need for the proper vehicle to showcase his talents.

The supporting performances do help to carry Roberts through the film, but the script contains too many coincidences and conveniences. I know, I am supposed to suspend my disbelief when seeing a movie, but the film was simply too unbelievable at times. On the positive side, however, the film was very tense and thrilling in parts, especially the chase scenes. This should come as no surprise to those familiar with Pakula's other films–this is his specialty. But this was not enough to save the film.

The Pelican Brief works as an suspense-thriller, except for Robert's acting and the logistics of the script, and it is for these reasons that I cannot recommend it. What could have been a really great movie turned into a mediocre one. I do have to admit, however, that I did enjoy it more than the screen adaptation of Grisham's *The Firm*, but that is not saying much.

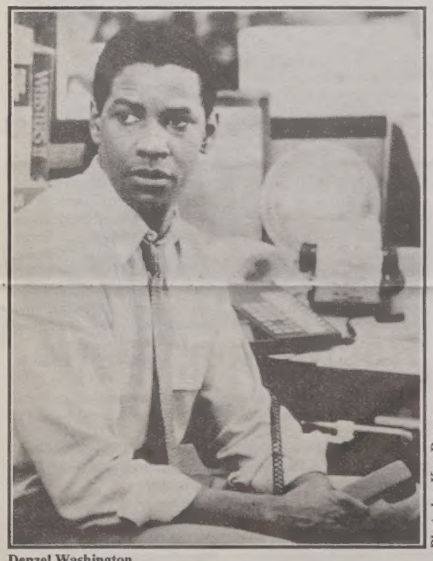

Photo by: Ken Regan

Denzel Washington

Photo by: Ken Regan

Julia Robers

October Days

The sun shines upon me,
on this cold October day.
It warms up my body,
but my heart remains cold and lonely.
The trees move from side to side,
in the cold blowing wind.
But I remain still,
For nothing can move me now.
The clouds slowly cover the sun,
reminding me once again of my sorrow.

I try to escape from this day,
but as hard as I try, I still remain here.
The day slowly starts to get colder and colder,
It starts to rain, and the rain keeps falling,
harder and harder.
The rain falls upon me.
on this October night.

Helen Karsakis

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Sports

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, January 11

- Women's Ice Hockey Vs. PHARM/PHE - 7 am @ Varsity Arena
- Women's Volleyball (div. B) Vs. 22 - 9 pm @ D/T: SG2

Wednesday, January 12

- Women's Basketball Vs. REHAB MEDS - 7 pm @ D/T: FHE1
- Men's Volleyball (div. A) Vs. UC B - 8 pm @ UG
- Women's Volleyball (div. A) Vs. St. Hilda's - 9 pm @ D/T: SG2
- **Women's interfaculty indoor soccer** tryouts will be held soon. Please check the board outside the Phys. Ed office.
- **Coed interfaculty water polo** team is conducting practices and still needs people! Check the notice board outside the Phys. Ed office for practice dates, times and location.
- **Mogul Mania** February 11.

Join the fun

The Underground Needs Sports Writers!

All interested parties should contact Salim Rajwani at the Underground offices.

Room: R2203-E, Phone: 287-7054

GOVERNING COUNCIL

ELECTION 1994

Nominations open

January 10th, 9 a.m.

Nominations close

January 21st, noon

Positions

4 teaching staff seats (A&S Humanities; Scarborough; Medicine; Dentistry, Nursing, Pharmacy, PH&E)
4 full-time undergraduate student seats
2 part-time undergraduate student seats
2 graduate student seats
1 administrative staff seat

Governing Council is composed of 50 members including the President , the Chancellor, 16 government appointees, 12 teaching staff and 2 presidental appointees. Council and it's Boards are responsible for approval of such items as:

- academic and incedental fees
- establishment of new academic programs
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- the Univesity's budget
- campus planning and capital projects
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Pick-up Badminton
Mondays: 1 pm - 2:30 pm
Tuesdays: 9 am - 2:30 pm
Wednesdays: 2:15 pm - 3:30 pm
Thursdays: 11:15 am - 2:15 pm & 7 pm - 9:30 pm
Fridays: 9 am - 5 pm*

Pick-up Basketball
Mondays & Wednesdays: 11:15 am - 2:30 pm
Tuesdays: 9 am - 2:30 pm
Thursdays: 11 am - 2:15 pm
Fridays: 9 am - 5 pm*

Pick-up Volleyball
Tuesdays: 9 am - 2:30 pm
Thursdays: 11:15 am - 2:45 pm
Fridays: 9 am - 5 pm*

* will finish at 1:30 pm on 'Blitz' Fridays, January 28, February 25 and March 25

"Blitz" Tournaments
$8 entry fee per event. Register to enter at the Service Counter by at least two days before the event. Great prizes not just for the winners.

Friday January 28 - Blitz Baseball
Friday January 25 - Blitz 3-on-3 Basketball
Friday March 25 - Blitz "Pee Wee" Tennis
Thursday March 31 - Blitz "April Fool's" Volleyball

Sports

Sports Notes...

By Salim Rajwani
Sports Editor

Canada Strikes Gold

- **Canada** won its second consecutive **gold medal** at the world junior hockey championships, with a thrilling 6-4 victory over Sweden, in Ostrava, Czech Republic, on Tuesday, January 4. It was Canada's **sixth gold medal** at the championships, fifth in the last seven years.

Canadians Finish 1-2

- Canadians **Ed Podivinsky** and **Carey Mullen,** finished 1-2 at a World Cup downhill ski race in Salzburg, Austria, on Thursday, January 6. Podivinsky edged Mullen by 38/100 of a second. It was the first 1-2 finish for the Canadian men's team since 1989.

Attacked

- On Thursday, January 6, American figure skater and 1992 Olympic bronze medalist, **Nancy Kerrigan**, was attacked by some psycho with a blunt object. The attack occurred in Detroit, where Kerrigan had just stepped off the ice, after a training session for the U.S figure skating championships, being held in that city. [She has since withdrawn from the event, and may not be able to perform in the upcoming Olympic Winter Games–Ed.]

Government/NBA/Pro Line

- The NBA has given the Ontario government till **February 13**, to remove NBA games from the Pro Line sports lottery, or lose the conditional pro basketball franchise granted to Toronto. Stay tuned for further developments.

NFL Coaching Changes

- The **Washington Redskins** have fired head coach **Richie Petitbon.** The **Atlanta Falcons** have fired their head coach **Jerry Glanville** as well. **Dallas Cowboys'** offensive coordinator **Norv Turner** is the leading candidate for both vacancies. Defensive coordinator **Pete Carroll**, has been named the new head coach of the **New York Jets.** He replaces **Bruce Coslet,** who was fired on Friday, January 7.

CHL

- The **Portland Winterhawks**, of the WHL, are the #1 ranked team in Canadian junior hockey. The highest ranked team from Ontario is the **North Bay Centennials**, ranked #3. The defending Memorial Cup Champions, the **Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds**, are ranked #4.

Miscellaneous

- in case you missed it Pittsburgh Penguins' centre iceman **Mario Lemieux** and skier **Kate Pace** were named Canada's male and female **athletes of the year** respectively.

- four **Toronto Maple Leafs** are going to NHL all star game. **Felix Potvin** was voted in as the Western Conference's starting goalie; he will be joined by forwards **Dave Andreychuk, Wendel Clark** and **Doug Gilmour.**

- The Arkansas Razorbacks are the #1 ranked team in U.S college basketball.

Next week: NBA update!

Leafs Update

By Salim Rajwani
Sports Editor

After a blazing start, the Toronto Maple Leafs have cooled off of late. The Leafs began the season with a leap out of the gate, winning an NHL record 10 straight games. They are now at the half way point of their 84 game schedule. So far, the season has been a "a tale of two quarters".

In their first 21 games, the Leafs compiled a record of 14-3-4; but are only 7-11-3, in their last 21 games (as of January 5). The Leafs are 1-7-2 (as of January 5), in their last 10 games; including shutout losses to the expansion teams Anaheim Mighty Ducks and Tampa Bay Lightning. Despite the poor second quarter, general manager **Cliff Fletcher** and head coach **Pat Burns** are not willing to panic. Why?, because the Leafs are still in **first place** in both the **Western Conference** (1 point ahead of the Calgary Flames) and in the **Central Division** (2 points ahead of the Dallas Stars), with 49 points (as of January 5).

The Leafs problem has been a lack of offence, which has been compounded by injuries. **Todd Gill & Dave Ellett** (the team's two best puck carriers on the blue line), as well as **Wendel Clark, Rob Pearson** and **Nikolai Borchevsky,** have spent time on the injured list. As well all star goalie **Felix Potvin** has been dogged by a slump of late. On the bright side, forward **Dave Andreychuk** played spectacular hockey and is among the NHL leaders in goals & points and back up goalie **Damian Rhodes** has played very well when called upon.

Trade rumours are running rampant. Names like **Petr Nedved** of the Vancouver Canucks (currently playing for Canada's national team), **Steve Duschene** of the Quebec Nordiques, and **Tomas Sandstrom** of the Los Angeles Kings, were all rumoured to have been headed to Toronto. However, there are several obstacles to trading in the NHL. The first is that with the new conference playoff format, trading within your conference is much harder. The second is that to get quality, you've got to give up either quality or young prospects. The Leafs cannot afford to give up youngsters like **Brandon Convery, Alexei Kudashov**, or **Kenny Johnson**. Giving up proven commodities from the current roster, may have negative effects on team chemistry. As well, the trade value of players such as **Yanic Perrault, Rob Pearson** and **John Cullen** is very low.

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So what do the Leafs do? The Leafs should and probably will, wait till the injured are back and playing again. Then Fletcher will probably wait till five to ten games after the all star break, reassess the team's position and, if necessary at that time, make a move. Possible candidates for acquisition, other than those already mentioned, are **Scott Mellanby** of the Florida Panthers and **Zdeno Ciger** of the Edmonton Oilers.

Hockey Standings
(as of January 5, 1994)

OUAA

Far East Division
1. UQTR - 16 pts
2. Ottawa - 15 pts
3. McGill - 14 pts
4. Concordia - 14 pts

Mid West Division
1. Laurentian - 16 pts
2. York - 12 pts
3. Brock - 11 pts
4. Ryerson - 6 pts

Mid East Division
1. Guelph - 13 pts
2. Toronto - 9 pts
3. RMC - 4 pts
4. Queen's - 4 pts

Far West Division
1. Western - 21 pts
2. Laurier - 21 pts
3. Waterloo - 10 pts
4. Windsor - 8 pts

OWIAA

1. Toronto - 12 pts
2. Guelph - 6 pts
3. York - 2 pts
4. Queen's - 2 pts

GOVERNING COUNCIL

ACADEMIC BOARD ELECTION 1994

TEACHING STAFF AND LIBRARIANS

Nominations open

January 10th, 9 a.m.

Nominations close

January 21st, noon

Positions

16 Teaching Staff:
- 1 Engeneering
- 5 Arts and Science
- 1 Erindale
- 1 Scarborough
- 1 Dentistry
- 1 Education
- 1 Forestry
- 3 Medicine
- 1 Music
- 1 Librarian

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By-Elections for the position of Editor-in-Chief at the Underground will be held at the staff meeting of the Underground on

Wednesday January 25, 1994 at 5:00 pm

Anyone interested in this position should contact the Board of Directors, c/o Wes Grant, at 287-7054. Or drop by the Underground at R2203-E no later then Thursday January 13, 1994.

Applications should be in writing, and should include a resumé.

Join the Underground!

Quicklist

An upcoming events listing for the students of Scarborough Campus. Listings are free: call 287-7057, or drop by our offices, to add yours.

All clubs are welcome to bring us info on meetings!

Tuesday 11 January

R3708-B **5 pm**
Music Club General Meeting: Attention all members–CD giveaways and refreshments provided.

Wednesday 12 January

H408 **5:15 pm**
VCF Weekly Meeting: Discussion with Greg.

Friday 14 January

M7 **4 pm**
The Games Club General Meeting: All members asked to attend meeting in M7 (Rob's Rez) to discuss future plans of the club. **Pizza and cola** will be free to all members.

The Attic **2 pm**
Student Exchange: For all those taking part, there is a get-together in the pub. This is part of the student exchange program between UofT and the University of North Carolina.

Sunday 16 January

Meeting Place **3 pm**
Magnus Brass: The Scarborough College Music Club presents "An Afternoon Fanfare" with the Magnus Brass Quintet. Featuring works by Bach, Sousa, Handel and more. Admission is free.

Tuesday 18 January

Village Centre **5 pm**
Eating Disorders: When does a diet not work?

Peer Counselling starts in Health Services (S-304). Call 287-7065.

Counselling Services Presents: Registered Writing Programs for Non-native English Speakers
Registration forms available in S-302.
Tuesdays, 18 Jan - 22 Mar: Academic Writing.
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Thursdays, 20 Jan - 24 Mar: Improve Pronunciation.

Friday 21 January

Winter Retreat: Varsity Christian Fellowship holds their annual winter get-away. Topic: fellowship. Cost is $20 per person. Contact Lynda at 445-8550.

Thursday 27 January

Leigha Lee Browne Theatre **8 pm**
Scarborough College Musical: The first performance of **Into the Woods**. Tickets on sale in the Meeting Place. Attention clubs: groups of 15 or more receive a discount. Call Heather Eamon at 4611-7812. Other info, call 287-7189. Performances also Jan. 28 and 29, and Feb. 2 to 5.